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BY MEANS OF ALKALINITY REGULATION

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 17, 2004 in connection with the subject application, applicants request reconsideration and allowance of the claims in light of the following remarks:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- [X] No additional fee is required.

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate (Small Entity)	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS*	22	23	0	x 9 =	\$0	x 18 =	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	3	0	x 43 =	\$0	x 86 =	\$0
[] First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				145		290	\$0

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Respectfully submitted,

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